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APPLICANT: Pierre Michiels )  
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PARTICULAR AN EXPANSION JOINT BETWEEN CONCRETE  
SLABS

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2004 and having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on January 8, 2005. Applicant submits the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. Also submitted with this amendment is a Request for one-month Extension with the required fee, to extend the period of reply to February 8, 2005. Applicant believes this amendment places the application in better condition for allowance. Applicant's remarks are attached hereto and start on page 2.